holdings in some of the public sector oi marketing and refining companies viz BPCL, HPCL, MRL CRL and BRPL.

D'stributionship of LPG and Petrol retail outlet in Haryana

167. S. S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister olf PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

fa) what Is the total number oi LPG distributors in the State of Har-j dna together -with the number of ■consumers of LPG as on 1st November, 1994 (Petroleum Company-wise);

(b) by when the entire population of Haryana is likely to be covered by the LPG ' connections and what are the guidelines! plans of the Central Government in this regard;

(c) what i_s the mechanism [authori ty working to redress the grivances of the'consumers regarding various mal practices in the distribution of LPG; and

(d) what is the number of petrol retail outlets, in the State oif Haryana (Company-wise) and Government's plans for expansion of this network in the'State?

■ THE MINISTER OF STATE OF •THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) As on 1.10. 1994, there were 136 LPG distributorships in Haryana with a customer population of 6.63 lakhs as detailed below:

Company	Distributors	CustomerPopu-lation (in lakhs)
IOC	71	3.87
HPC	27	0.82
BPC	38	1.94

(b) As on 1.10.1994, there were 3.90 lakhs applicants on waitng list in Haryana. Efforts are constantly on to release LPG connections to as \ many applicants and as early as possible, subject to availability of the product .

(c) The LPG Consumers can approach Customer Service Cells or
I Officers of the LPG Marketing Com.
I panics, for redressai of their grievances against services rendered by LPG distributors. Besides, the consumers can also approach the Consumer Redressai Forums and MRTP . Commission .

(d) Company-wise number of retail outlet dealerships as on 1.10.1994 in Haryana is as under:

IOC	197
HPC	120
BPC	99
IBP	94
TOTAL :	510

47 retail outlets have been included in the current RO marketing plan 1988-93 for the State.

हरियाणा के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में रसोई गैस कनेक्शन जारी करना और रसोई गैस अभिकरण खोलना

168. श्री रामजीलाल : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राशन कार्ड के आधार पर गैस कनैक्शन जारी करते समय सरकार ग्रामीण लोगों के साथ भेद भाव बरतती है जबकि नगर क्षेत्रों में इसी आधार पर गैस कनैक्शन दिए जाते हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो हरियाणा के गांवों में दिए गए गैस कनैक्शनों का ब्यौरा क्या है ;